(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a), (d) to (f) On 27-9-1989, M/s. Infar (India) Ltd. were requested for furnishing certain details to the Government to enable it to calculate the amount of unintended benefit on Dexatopic Cream. The company furnished very limited information. For the remaining information, the company was reminded a number of times. Finally on 26-11-1990, a show cause notice to the company for initiating proceedings against them under relevant provision of DPCO, 1979, 1987 and Essential Commodities Act, 1955 was issued. In response to the show cause notices, the company has reiterated that Dexatopic Cream is a price decontrolled formulation. The comapny has recently been given final opportunity for furnishing the requisite details.

(b) and (c) According to the Company, they started marketing Dexatopic Cream in 1978. The price of Dexatopic cream in different packs fixed on *suo moto* basis and the price that was being charged at that time by the company is as under:

Sl.No.	Name of the Product	Existing price (as per MIMS March, 90) (Rs.)	Price fixed on *suomoto* basis (Rs.)
1	Dexatopix Cream 5 gms. tube.	9·00	3·07
2	Dexatopic Cream 10 gms. tube.	N.A.	5·05
3	Dexatopic Cream 15 gms. tube.	22·00	6·21

Assessment of drug Companies

663. SHRIMATI KAILASH PATI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 781 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 25th July, 1991 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Special Team obtained entire data from all the companies involved in Supdeme Court case;

(b) if so, what are the reasons and difficulties on account of which the assessment of liability in regard to eight companies post January 1984 period have not been completed;

(c) whether it is a fact that Supreme Court gave judgement an early 1987 directing Government to recover the unintended benefit within the specific period;

(d) if so, what are the details of directive and what was the time period given in the direction; and

(e) what is the present position and by when the assessment upto August, 1987 of these eight companies would be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) to (e) Soon after the receipt of Supreme Court's Judgements in 1987, a Special Team and a Price Review Committee (PRC) were constituted, for the purpose of collection and compilation of requisite data, review of prices and determination of liabilities of the companies involved in Supreme Court cases. In view, however, of receipt of complaints alleging act of omssission and commission on the part of the Special Team and the PPC, it was decided to review the computations and recommendations made by them. For the purpose of review some additional data and or reconciliation of the already available data was

required. In the case of the said 8 companies, complete data for the entire relevant period after 1-1-84 has not yet become available The companies are being reminded. If they do not supply the data, the Government will be constrained to determine the tentative liabilities on the basis of the available information

More than 100 % price-rise in various drugs

664. SHRI NARAYAN KAR:
DR. R. K. PODDAR:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 370 given in the Rajya Sabha on 18th July, 1991 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that price of Ifibrun, Betaloc, Pethidine, Morphine and Corbelta Tablets have risen by more than 100 per cent;

(b) if so, what is the MAPE charged on each product as per break up submitted on Form-2-A by the formulators of these products; ;

(c) whether it is a fact that prices of Actidil Tablets, Neurobion Injection, Tri-redisol-HI Injection, Encephabol Injection, Triperidol Tablets, Marcaine Injection and Buscopan Injection have also gone up more than 100 per cent after the announcement of DPCO, 1987;

(d) if so, what was the earlier price of each and what is the present price;

(e) whether it is a fact that General price rise of decontrolled medicines is 100 per cent;

(f) whether Government have made any study; and

(g) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) Yes Sir, with the exception of Corbelte Tabs.

(b) To the extent available, the information is given below:—

	Medicine	MAPE charged
1.	Ifibrium	NA
2.	Betaloc	92.02%
3.	Pethidine Inj.	117.18%
4.	Morphine	110.20%

(c) and (d) The information has been given in the statement attached.

(e) to (g) There has been some increase in the price of decontrolled medicines which is inevitable in a situation of rising prices. No specific study in this respect has been made by the Government. However, Government intervenes as and when any abnormal price rise is noticed.

Statement

		Before DPCO, 1987	Current Price	Whether increase is 100%
1.	Actidil Tabs. 2.5mg (10'S Pack)	2·51	3·26*	No
2.	Neurobion Inj. 3ml	2·45	3·48*	No
3.	Triredisol-H Inj. 1000 Formula 5ml	7·80	13·83*	No
4.	Encephabol Inj. (200ml. dry powder with acidified water)	8·26	17·97*	Yes
5.	Marcaine Inj. (1% 2ml Amp.)	1·12	4·00	Yes
6.	Bus copan Inj. (1ml Amp.)	3·60	2·07*	No
7.	Triperidol Tabs. (30's pack)	3·49 (MIMS May, 87)	20·00	Yes

*Now under Price Control.)